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UZBEK ACADEMY STEPS UP PUBLICATIONS -- Kommunist Tadzhikistan, No 25, 6 Feb 49

The Presidium of the Academy of Sciences Uzbek SSR has approved a plan for publishing scientific works during 1949 according to which the publication output will be 1½ times as great as during 1948.

A number of important works by Uzbek scholars will be published. Institutes to be represented are the Institute of Botany and Zoology, Institute of Physico-mathematical Sciences, and the Uzbek SSR Department of Humanitarian Sciences of the Academy of Sciences USSR. Works giving results of expeditions which studied productive potentialities of Golodnaya Steppe and steppes of Kara-Kalpak ASSR are of particular importance.

Collections of work of all institutes will be published.

TADZHIK PUBLICATIONS INCREASE -- *Kommunist Tadzhikistana*, No 254, 22 Dec 48

Publication in the Tadzhik language of literature in the fields of politics, science, and art has increased, but progress is still slow because of translation and production difficulties. There are seven republic newspapers, eight oblast newspapers, and 55 rayon newspapers, with a total circulation of 264,000. A number of these newspapers are unsatisfactory, particularly those of Komsomolabad, Gissar, Dugana-Klik, and Kalay-Khumab.

NEW AGRICULTURAL PERIODICAL -- Kommunist Tadzhikistans, No 27, 9 Feb 49

The first number (January-February) of a new periodical, Sel'skoye Khozyaystvo Tadzhikistana (Agriculture of Tadzhik SSR), recently appeared.

The outstanding article in the periodical was "New Successes in Agriculture During 1949."

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NEW PERIODICAL APPEARS -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 31, 14 Feb 49

The first issue of the periodical, Kommunist, printed in the Kirgiz language has appeared this year. One of the outstanding articles was that by Pospelov, "Under the Great Banner of Lenin - Stalin to the Victory of Communism," dedicated to the 25th anniversary of Lenin's death.

NEWSPAPER AND PERIODICAL CIRCULATION -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 21, 1 Feb 49

Workers of Kirgiz SSR have ordered more than 230,000 copies of local and central newspapers and periodicals during 1948. Newspapers are received at every kolkhoz home in many kolkhozes of Stalinakiy, Kantakiy, and other rayons.

MAGADAN LIBRARY INCREASES HOLDINGS -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 16, 20 Jan 49

Magadan - The number of libraries on the Kolyma River grows every year, with many new ones opening in the national regions and in forest settlements of the Indigirka River. The book collector in Magadan received one million rubles' worth of literature from the central publishing houses in 1948 alone. A large part of this was sent to libraries in distant forest settlements.

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